

HARMONIZING LOCAL PV ACTIVITY TO IMPROVE EFFICIENCY

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LOCAL QPPV

- Differences in regulation
- PV knowledge
- Training
- Quality Management System
- Knowledge and understanding of English language
- Audits (internal/external)

COUNTRIES OF INTEREST

- EU/EEA - Eudravigilance
- Macedonia, Serbia, Montenegro, Bosnia & Herzegovina, Albania and Kosovo

LOCATION



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PV REGULATION - REGIONAL DIFFERENCIES



- **Macedonia** – PV & RA can be the same local responsible person;

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- despite electronic submission of ICSRs, XML E2B(R3) format is preferred; paper in exceptional cases
- E2B(R2) can be converted to E2B(R3) in the system and vice versa
- serious (15 days) and non-serious (90 days) ICSRs from the country, serious and unexpected non-serious outside
- ICSRs can be submitted both by HCPs & patients
- Local MAH

PV REGULATION - REGIONAL DIFFERENCIES

- **Serbia** – PV local responsible person;
 - paper (rarely) & electronic submission of ICSRs
 - serious (15 d.) and non-serious (90 d.) ICSRs from the country, serious outside, except ICSRs already submitted in EudraVigilance and Upsala Monitoring Centre
 - ICSRs can be submitted both by HCPs & patients
 - RMP submission: obligatory
 - Local MAH



PV REGULATION - REGIONAL DIFFERENCIES

- **Montenegro** – PV & RA can be the same local responsible person;
 - paper & electronic submission of ICSRs
 - serious (15 d.) and non-serious (90 d.) ICSRs *local*
 - ICSRs can be submitted by HCPs & patients
 - RMP submission: obligatory
 - MAH can be from EU after EU accession /Law from 2020/2026



PV REGULATION - REGIONAL DIFFERENCIES

- **Kosovo** - PV local responsible person;
 - electronic submission of ICSRs only from 11.2019
 - serious (15 d.) and non-serious (90 d.) ICSRs *inside/outside*
 - ICSRs can be submitted only by HCPs
 - MAH: foreign MAH or the manufacturer

PV REGULATION - REGIONAL DIFFERENCIES

- **Albania** - PV & RA can be the same responsible person;
 - electronic submission of ICSRs: e-mail or web-page
<http://akbpm.gov.al/formulate-raportimi> (Albanian language)
 - serious (15 d.) and non-serious (90 d.) ICSRs *local*
 - ICSRs can be submitted both by HCPs & patients
 - MAH: foreign MAH or the manufacturer

PV REGULATION - REGIONAL DIFFERENCIES

- **Bosnia & Herzegovina** – PV local responsible person;



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- paper & electronic submission (03.2019) of ICSRs
- serious and non-serious unexpected ICSRs from the country, serious unexpected outside (15 d.)
- ICSRs can be submitted both by HCPs & patients (paper)
- PSUR submission through e-portal:
from 01.04.2020 is mandatory
- PSUR submission (MA): 1st year on 6 months, following 2 years once/year, after that once every 3 years (*all countries*)
- RMP submission: obligatory from 19.08.2021
- Local MAH

MEDICINAL PRODUCTS & MEDICAL DEVICES - SAME DATABASE

- **Medicinal products /Directive 2001/83/EC**
- **Medical devices – CE /Regulation (EC) 2017/745 (MDR);**
MDCG 2025-10
Notified body
- **Combination products:**
 - *Single-entity*: injectable pens or inhalers
 - *Co-packaged*: single pack or supplied as unit to be used/combined before administration/use
 - *Cross-labelled*: packed separately, but acc. to the label intended to be used together

MEDICINAL PRODUCTS & MEDICAL DEVICES - SAME DATABASE

- **Medicinal products** - SDEA (Safety Data Exchange Agreement)
- QPPV
- **Medical devices:** - PMSA (Post Marketing Safety Agreement)
- PRRC (Person Responsible for Regulatory Compliance)
- **Combination products:** - SDEA (integral medical device)
Risks/Complications/Safety Management Plans
- Mutual Recognition of Audits

HOW TO OVERCOME DIFFERENCIES ACROSS LOCAL REGIONS

- All countries are following EU Regulation, but there are differences in-between countries
- Macedonia is the only country from the region which has developed own data processing network and management system
- Trainings and education/learning are essential
- Following international standards
- Develop strategies to increase ADR reporting by all stakeholders

CONCLUSION

- It is expected that all countries will develop similar network and management system in the near future
- Changes in PV regulation will improve risk communication and signal detection – proactive & solution finding
- Regional aspects are moving towards Global aspects – Harmonisation
- Aligning PV Regulation across different countries can be beneficial to streamline PV activities and meet local needs



THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION !

QUESTIONS ?

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